

II. In the Specification:

Please delete new paragraph [0035] and replace with new paragraph [0035] as follows:

[0035] Computational fluid dynamic analyses were performed on the illustrative example of FIG. 1 and compared with prior art competitive designs A, B, and C of FIGS 7, 5 and 6, respectively. The proposed attic air vent 100 of this invention has only a slight increase in air flow resistance with transverse stiffeners placed to cross the open channels. In the preferred embodiment, the present vent 100 does not use supports which extend substantially into the air path, as shown in competitive designs A and B, nor does it use longitudinal supports disposed substantially in the air path, like competitive design C. This results in improved natural convection air flow under a 5 Pa air pressure differential, as analyzed by the computational, computer analysis, as found in FIG. 8. The design of FIG. 1 showed improvement of about 31-147% in air flow over competitive designs, with an air-flow range of about 95-125 CFM preferred, and a target of about 118.6 CFM. This can be accomplished ~~with~~ without sacrificing rigidity in either the longitudinal or lateral directions.